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DE 28765 relates to a folding knife having a spring as generally shown in Fig. 1.

DE 29469 relates to a folding knife having a spring as generally shown in Fig. 1.

DE 1 104 386 relates to a folding knife as generally shown in the Figures.

DE 80 26 334 relates to a folding knife as generally shown in the Figures.

DE 81 00 727 relates to a knife as generally shown in the Figures.

DE 90 02 788 relates to a folding knife as generally shown in the Figures.

DE 92 06 459 relates to a folding knife as generally shown in the Figures.

FR 1.248.117 relates to a folding knife as generally shown in the Figures.

FR 1.171.740 relates to a folding knife having a spring as generally shown in Fig. 2.

FR 1.069.862 relates to a folding knife as generally shown in the Figures.

FR 493.741 relates to a folding knife having a spring as generally shown in Fig. 2.

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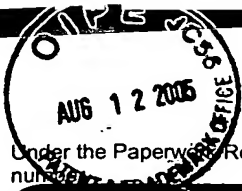
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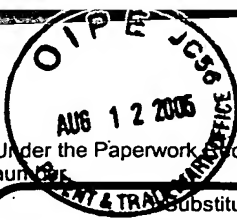
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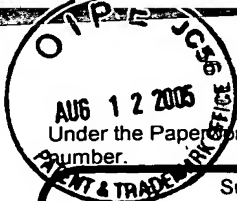
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